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Members,

We recognize that our officers are facing extremely difficult circumstances and they continue to persevere in their effort to return Ottawa to normalcy.

The update as of 5:30 pm is:

Arrests: 100+

Vehicles towed: 21

Location: officers have successfully moved protesters past the intersection of Mackenzie Avenue on Rideau Street.

Every foot of street gained back brings us closer to our goal.

Protesters assaulted officers and have attempted to remove officers' weapons. All means of de-escalation have been used to move forward in our goal of returning Ottawa to it's state of normalcy.

Protesters have continued their assaultive behavior with the police line. To prevent an escalation or further injury, mounted officers were sent in to create critical space between the police line and protesters. This was done to create a safe distance. As this was happening a bicycle was thrown at the feet of one of the horses in an attempt to injure it. One person was arrested for intentionally harming a police service animal.

I am so impressed with the resilience of both our members and our dedicated partners in supporting us through such a challenging but successful morning and afternoon operation. United we will successfully see this to the end.

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